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has smoke and fire retardant properties equal to that of the steel required for "A" or "B" class bulkheads or decks and has structural qualities equivalent to steel at the end of the applicable fire exposure.

- (d) Approved material means a material approved under one of the following subparts of Subchapter Q of this chapter:
  - (1) Deck coverings, Subpart 164.006.
- (2) Structural insulation, Subpart 164.007.
  - (3) Bulkhead panel, Subpart 164.008.
- (4) Noncombustible materials, Subpart 164.009;
  - (5) Interior finishes, Subpart 164.012.
- (e) Stairtower means a stairway that penetrates more than one deck within the same enclosure, or two or more stairways that—
- (1) Are arranged vertically one above the other; or
- (2) Penetrate both the deck and the overhead within the same enclosure.
- (f) Accommodation space includes, sleeping, mess, hospital, recreational, toilet, washing and shower spaces, and corridors.

# § 108.133 Hull superstructure, structural bulkheads, decks, and deckhouses.

Each hull superstructure, structural bulkhead, deck, and deckhouse must be made of steel or an equivalent material.

## § 108.135 Boundary bulkheads, decks of galleys, and combustible material lockers.

Each boundary bulkhead and deck of each galley, each combination galley and messroom, and each combustible material storage locker must be an A class bulkhead and A class deck respectively.

## § 108.137 Bulkhead and deck separations of accommodation spaces.

Each boundary bulkhead and deck that separates an accommodation space or control station from the following must be an A class bulkhead and A class deck respectively—

- (a) Machinery space;
- (b) Galley or combination galley and messroom:
  - (c) Main pantry;
  - (d) Classified space;

(e) Store room.

## § 108.139 Boundary bulkheads and decks of a space containing emergency power.

Each boundary bulkhead and deck of a space containing an emergency electric power source or components of an emergency electric power source must be an A class bulkhead and A class deck respectively. When separate but adjoining spaces are provided for such equipment, boundary bulkhead type construction is not required for the separating partitions common to each space.

#### § 108.141 Boundary bulkheads and decks between the emergency power source and service generators.

Each boundary bulkhead and deck of a space containing an emergency electric power source or components of an emergency electric power source that adjoins a space containing a ship's service generator, the components of a ship's service generator, or a classified space must be an A-60 bulkhead and A-60 deck.

### § 108.143 Accommodation space.

- (a) Each corridor bulkhead in an accommodation space must be an A class or B class bulkhead except if an A class bulkhead is specifically required by this part.
- (b) No door in a corridor bulkhead in an accommodation space may have a louver, except that a stateroom, lounge, or recreation room door may have louvers in its lower half.
- (c) Each stairtower, elevator, and dumbwaiter, and other trunk must be enclosed by A class bulkheads.
- (d) Each bulkhead not described under paragraph (a) of this section must be either A class, B class, or C class bulkheads.
- (e) At least one opening to each stairway must be enclosed by either A class or B class bulkheads and doors.
- (f) Each stairtower must have doors at all levels and each must be an A class door.
- (g) Each door required by paragraphs (e) and (f) of this section—
  - (1) Must be self-closing;
- (2) May not have any means to permanently hold the door open, except

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for magnetic holdbacks that are operated from the bridge or other remote location.

- (h) Interior stairs, including stringers and treads, must be made of steel or an equivalent material.
- (i) Except in washrooms and toilet spaces, each deck covering in an accommodation space must be made of an approved material, except an overlay on a deck for leveling or finishing that is not more than 9.375 millimeters (3% inch) thick.
- (j) Except as provided in paragraph (1), each ceiling, lining, insulation, and pipe and duct lagging in an accommodation space must be made of an approved material that is noncombustible.
- (k) Each sheathing, furring, or holding piece used to secure a bulkhead, ceiling, lining, or insulation in an accommodation space must be made of an approved material that is non-combustible.
- (1) No bulkhead, lining, or ceiling in an accommodation space may have a combustible veneer greater than 2 millimeters (1/12 inch) in thickness.
- (m) Each corridor or hidden space in an accommodation space may be covered by an approved interior finish or a reasonable number of coats of paint. However, no corridor or hidden space may have combustible veneer, trim, or decoration except material approved under Subpart 164.012 of this chapter.

### § 108.145 Hatches and tonnage openings.

Each hatch, except a hatch between storage spaces and each tonnage opening closure, must be made of steel or an equivalent material of the same class as the bulkhead or deck where the opening occurs.

### § 108.147 Certain paints prohibited.

No nitrocellulose or other highly flammable or noxious fume-producing paint or lacquer may be used on a unit.

MEANS OF ESCAPE

### § 108.151 Two means required.

(a) Each of the following must have at least 2 means of escape:

(1) Each accommodation space with a deck area of at least 27 sq. meters (300 sq. ft.).

- (2) Each space, other than an accommodation space, that is continuously manned or used on a regular working basis except for routine security checks.
- (3) Weather deck areas where personnel may be normally employed.
- (b) When two means of escape are required from a space below the main deck, one the means of escape must provide for a rapid escape through openings that are not required to be watertight by damage stability considerations.
- (c) When two means of escape are required from a space above the main deck, one of the means of escape must provide for a rapid escape to a weather deck.

### § 108.153 Location of means of escape.

The required two means of escape must be through exits that minimize the possibility of having both exits blocked if a fire or other casualty occurs in the area.

### § 108.155 Restrictions on means of escape utilized.

A required means of escape may not be a vertical ladder or deck scuttle, except that one of the means of escape may be a vertical ladder or deck scuttle if a stairway would be impracticable.

### § 108.157 Locked doors.

No door to the required means of escape may be designed to lock except—

- (a) A crash door or a door that has a locking device that can be easily forced, if on both sides of the door a permanent and easily seen instruction is placed; or
- (b) An outside door to a deckhouse if the door can be locked by key only and if the master or person in charge has control of the key to the door's lock.

### § 108.159 Stairways and exterior inclined ladders.

Each stairway, except a stairway in a machinery or storage space, and each exterior inclined ladder must be at least 70 centimeters (28 inches) wide with an angle of inclination from the